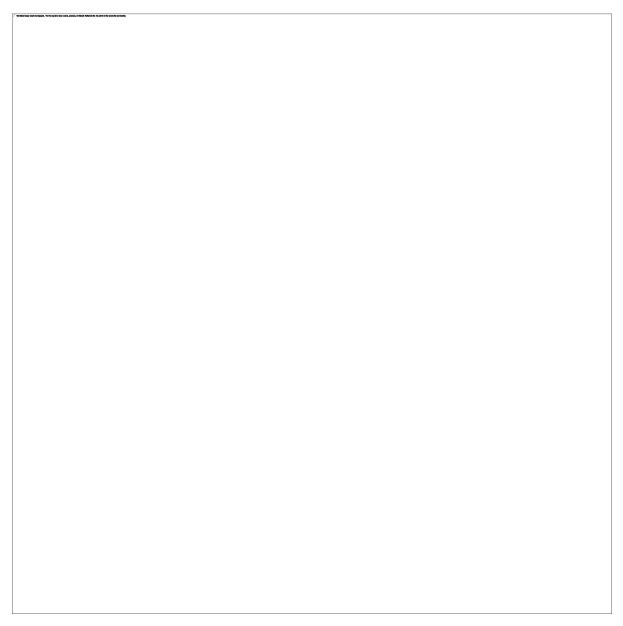
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## Former Adviser Holds Out Hope Trump May Remain In Paris Climate Deal

Despite President Donald Trump's pledge to withdraw from the Paris climate deal, a former climate adviser hopes the president will eventually reverse his stance and remain in the deal, albeit with a weaker greenhouse gas reduction target than the Obama administration and which would be approved by Congress.

Auto Suppliers Seek Compromise To Avoid Fractured Vehicle GHG Rules

Auto suppliers and a car-state Democrat are urging policymakers to avoid a political and legal blowup over pending revisions to light-duty vehicle GHG and fuel economy rules, pushing Trump officials to work seriously with California on a possible deal, while also suggesting that defenders of the Obama-era standards must be open to some changes.

# Pro-Ethanol Lawmakers Call On Trump To Oppose RFS Credit Price Cap

Pro-ethanol lawmakers are calling on President Donald Trump to oppose calls from the oil sector and others for EPA to impose a short-term cap on renewable fuel standard (RFS) compliance credit prices, warning that a cap would make it "impossible" to achieve the RFS' goals for production of alternative and renewable fuels.

### Climate Beat

# Congress: House panel seeks briefing on EPA reorganization plans

The Trump administration has developed a draft EPA workforce reorganization plan, not yet released publicly, with an eye toward incorporating reorganization proposals into its fiscal year 2019 budget.

### Congress: Udall urges EPA to answer GAO queries on secure phone booth

The top Democrat on the appropriations panel overseeing EPA's budget questions whether Administrator Scott Pruitt's secure phone booth is an unnecessary taxpayer expenditure that violated budget laws.

# Loose Change: Pruitt to issue policy curtailing 'secret science'

In today's news roundup: The policy, long pushed by Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX), would require scientific studies used for regulations to publish their underlying data though critics say the move is simply an effort to hinder EPA rules.

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